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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Proposed Projects

Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Matching Program Performance Outcomes

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Description: State agencies administering the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) are mandated to participate in a computer matching program with the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE). The matching program compares SNAP applicant and recipient information with employment and wage information maintained in the National Directory of New Hires (NDNH). The outcomes of the compared information help state SNAP agencies with administering the program and verifying and determining an individual's benefit eligibility. To receive NDNH information, state agencies enter into a computer matching agreement and adhere to its terms and conditions, including providing OCSE with annual performance outcomes attributable to the use of NDNH information.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requires OCSE to periodically report performance measurements demonstrating how the use of information in the NDNH supports OCSE's strategic mission, goals, and objectives. OCSE will provide the annual SNAP performance outcomes to OMB.

The information collection activities for the SNAP performance outcomes reports are authorized by: 1) subsection 453 (j)(10) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. §653(j)(10)), which allows the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to disclose information maintained in the NDNH to state agencies administering SNAP under the Nutrition Act of 2008, as amended by the Agriculture Act of 2014; 2) the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended by the

Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (5 U.S.C. § 552a), which sets forth the terms and conditions of a computer matching program; and, 3) the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111-352), which requires agencies to report program performance outcomes to the Office of Management and Budget and for the reports to be available to the public.

Respondents: State SNAP Agencies

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES:

Information Collection Title	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
SNAP Matching Program Performance Outcomes	53	1	1.92	101.76

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:

101.76

In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chap 35), the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW, Washington D.C. 20201. Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

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